

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Original) A liquid crystal display device having an array of pixels comprising;  
a first substrate;  
a second substrate;  
a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrate;  
a plurality of ribs positioned over the first substrate, the plurality of ribs being spaced from each other; and  
a pixel electrode having a plurality of slits, each one of the plurality of slits being positioned between two of the ribs.

2-27. (Cancelled)